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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing exceptions to the age of admission to
2 kindergarten.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 1485YH 83
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1 1 Section 1. Section 282.3, subsection 2, unnumbered
1 2 paragraph 3, Code 2009, is amended to read as follows:
1 3 ~~No~~ A child shall ~~not~~ be admitted to school work for the
1 4 year immediately preceding the first grade unless the child is
1 5 five years of age on or before ~~the fifteenth of~~ September 15
1 6 of the current school year, except as provided in this
1 7 section. A school district, at the request of the parent or
1 8 guardian, shall enroll in kindergarten a child who is five
1 9 years of age after September 15 of the current school year if
1 10 the child was enrolled in kindergarten in another state. A
1 11 school district may enroll a child in kindergarten who is five
1 12 years of age after September 15 of the current school year and
1 13 who has demonstrated the possession of sufficient ability to
1 14 benefit from kindergarten work on the basis of tests or other
1 15 means of evaluation recommended or approved by the department
1 16 of education.

EXPLANATION

1 17 This bill allows exceptions to a provision that prohibits a
1 18 child who is five years of age on or after September 15 from
1 19 being admitted to kindergarten.
1 20 The bill requires a school district to enroll in
1 21 kindergarten a child who is five years of age after September
1 22 15 of the current school year if the child was enrolled in
1 23 kindergarten in another state and if the child's parent or
1 24 guardian requests that the child be enrolled.
1 25 The bill permits a school district to enroll a child in
1 26 kindergarten who is five years of age after September 15 if
1 27 the child demonstrates sufficient ability to benefit from
1 28 kindergarten work using evaluations recommended or approved by
1 29 the department of education.
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